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OVERSEAS TICKER

LONDON

Douglas Williams, special foreign correspondent for the London "Daily Telegraph" has left for the United States to have a look at the cross-country, pre-election scene. He's looking forward to paying his first visit to the OPC.

— Douglas Williams

BEIRUT

Keith Wheeler, Life bureau chief here and chief correspondent in the Middle East, for two years, is leaving this month for the states to resume his work as writer on Life's foreign news department.

BANGKOK

John J. Slocum has arrived here to take over his two year job as one of the four inspectors of the U.S. Information Agency. He will spend three months in Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and Formosa.

Club Calendar

Monday, Feb. 13 — Freedom of the Press Panel. 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 14 — Italian Regional Dinner.

MISSING MEMBERS

Anyone knowing of the whereabouts of the following OPCers, please notify the Club office:

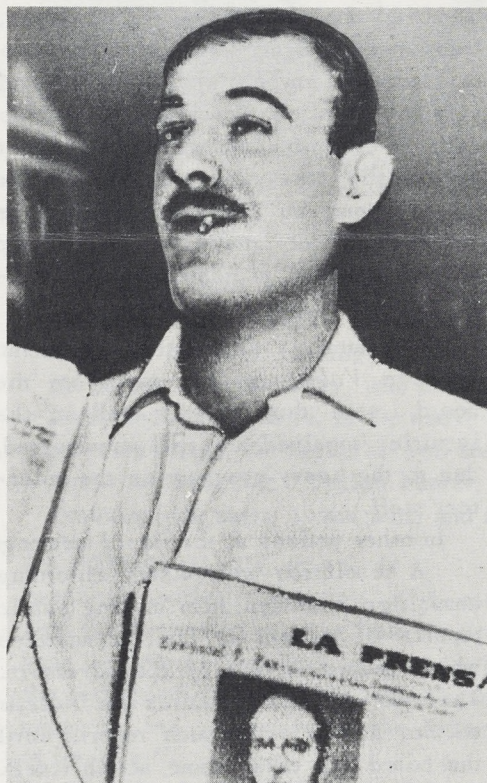
Leslie Midgley, Dorothy N.S. Russell, Joseph J. Derby, Lt. Col. John H. Galloway, Anne Michaels, Henry H. Hunter, Cornell Capa, Mary Knight, P. W. Whitcomb.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President Louis P. Lochner has appointed a Nominating Committee to present the OPC membership a slate of available candidates as prescribed in the by-laws.

The committee includes Egbert White, chairman, John Barkham, W.W. Chaplin, Tom Johnson, Murray Lewis, Kathleen McLaughlin, and Virginia Mizelle.

LA PRENSA ROLLING AGAIN IN BUENOS AIRES UNDER GAINZA PAZ



Freedom has a loud voice in Argentina

Panel To Discuss Iron Curtain News

The Overseas Press Club joins three representatives of the International Federation of Free Journalists Monday night in a panel discussion on: "Can the Iron Curtain be Pierced for the Free Flow of Information Between East and West?"

The discussion, which will take place at dinner beginning at 7:30 p.m., will be moderated by OPC President Louis P. Lochner.

Boleslaw Wierzbianski of Poland, president of the IFFJ, George Ionescu of Romania and John Stranski, chief of the Czech desk for Free Europe Press, will represent the organization of 1300 exiled journalists.

During a cocktail party preceding the dinner, the IFFJ will offer a preview

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Alberto Gainza Paz, after "more than five years of forced silence," last week started up the presses of La Prensa, again raising the voice of a great independent newspaper.

The reappearance of La Prensa brought plaudits from all the free world. In Buenos Aires itself, Provisional President Pedro Eugenio Aramburu said in an exclusive interview with the United Press that he viewed "with understandable satisfaction the reappearance of La Prensa, which all through its long life has earned a prestige causing the whole world to respect it."

Other leaders sent similar messages, welcoming Gainza and La Prensa back into the fraternity of the free press.

In New York, the Overseas Press Club displayed Argentine and U.S. flags side by side in the dining room, while President Louis P. Lochner cabled Gainza:

"All your Overseas Press Club fellow members are thrilled at your resumption of the publication of La Prensa. Your and our national flags are today displayed side by side in Club Headquarters to celebrate this historic event which evidences that you won your fight for freedom of the press. More power to you."

La Prensa resumed publication with an editorial pledging its best efforts to keep dictatorship from ever again taking over in Argentina.

"The recapture of liberty and the enjoyment of the essential rights of man repay the efforts and sacrifices which were necessary to put our country back on the track to rehabilitation. In this common task, which will be historic and which will mark the start of a new era, La Prensa — which appeared when the first definite struggles began for what we call national organization after consolidation of the Argentina union — will

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CORRECTION

Richard Kasischke was, until recently, AP bureau chief in Moscow, not in Vienna, as erroneously stated in the Jan. 28 issue of the *Bulletin*.

DON'T FORGET

The 1956 edition of the OPC Who's Who is now in the works. If you haven't

Board Votes Help For Placement Group

The Board of Governors, at its meeting last week, voted to authorize the hiring of a part-time executive secretary for the Placement Committee, in order to facilitate the handling of the avalanche of mail and inquiries the committee has received.

The secretary will work several days a week and be on hand to interview members who are looking for new jobs, free-lance assignments, etc., and also to interview anyone who wants to find someone for a job. Hours for the new job will be set so that members need not necessarily take time off from regular jobs to come in. The secretary will be responsible for answering letters and setting up files, in addition to conducting the preliminary interviews.

Placement Committee chairman *Spencer Valmy*, in his report to the board, said that roughly half of the inquiries received are still unanswered, due to the heavy pressure on the volunteer staff.

In other actions at the Board meeting:

A resolution was passed enjoining committee chairmen from making public reports of action by their committees which require action by the governors. The resolution also requires the *Bulletin* editors not to print such reports until the board has taken some action itself. The question arose over a recent report by the House Operations Committee

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urging the use of the chit system, a matter which is still under study by the board.

It was the sense of the governors that the *Bulletin* should concern itself first with overseas members and increase coverage from overseas. An intensified campaign for increased advertising to permit increased space — eight or twelve pages — was also authorized by the board.

PEOPLE & PLACES...

Joseph C. Caly, Western-Union international press representative was assigned to accompany Sir Anthony Eden and party on his visit to Washington and Canada... *Amador A. Marin* is the publisher of the official guide book to the Peace and Progress Fair of the Dominican Republic... Credit *Carl Bakal* for the Herman Wouk portrait on the cover of the Feb. 17 *Collier's*.

John Daly, *Arlene Francis*, *Jayne Meadows* and *Dave Garraway* appeared recently on General Motors' Motorama TV show, prepared by *Richard de Rochemont's* Vavin, Inc... *H.V. Kaltenborn* will be one of the Judges of Maids of the Mardi Gras at the Feb. 9 ball sponsored by the Junior League of the City of New York.

Harold Burson, president of Burson, Marsteller Associates, has been elected a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts... *Marjorie Young* attended the Women's National Press Club's annual Congressional dinner as a "new" member of the club.

British rights to *Ray Josephs* "How to Gain an Extra Hour Every Day" were purchased by the Daily Express.

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Around and About

The *Bulletin's* far-flung editor, *Charlie Campbell*, just returned from a swing around the Hassenpfeffer-and-Dark-Beer circuit, talking to German consuls, reports being handsomely received by press clubs throughout the country.

"In Los Angeles, although we are not affiliated," Campbell reports, "the press club was cordial and allowed me to use the bar and restaurant which constitute their quarters in the Ambassador Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard."

Campbell reported that he had had "one miserable night" in a large San Francisco hotel before checking into the Press and Union League Club, with which the OPC is affiliated.

"They have a couple of bars, billiard rooms, card rooms, big restaurant, pool, gym., etc. Plenty of rooms and OPCers are heartily welcomed. The Club secretary grabbed us (myself and *David Berger*) for a good long chin about the relationship between the two clubs.

"They're doing very well, not drumming up trade, just damned cordial. I don't believe many OPCers are taking advantage."

"Incidentally, at the hotel where we stayed, I paid \$11 for a room with no rpt no bath (although reserved in advance). At the PULC, it was \$5 for a room with bath.

"Because of its affiliation with the Union League Club, which had the quarters originally, women OPCers would have limited facilities. No rooms are available for them at this inn."

In addition, Campbell reported a handsome reception at the Dallas Press Club.

Editor *David Murray*, back from a brief trip into the wild of the Berkshires, reports seeing *Nancy* and *Dean Brelis* for a fine lunch at their new home in Cornwall, Conn. The former Southeast Asia, Rome, and Seattle Time and Life staffer is in mid-book (a novel accepted by Atlantic - Little Brown) and finding the bucolic life agreeable, although, in *Nancy's* words, "there is always the danger of going woods queer." *Nancy*, in between the chores involved with three children, is tying trout flies and counting the minutes until the season opens.



BOW JEST: ART BUCHWALD, whose beat includes cowardice in the Congo and nudity in Paris, is back in New York now. He is in the States for a two-months swing for the Trib, looking over the home ground. Accompanying him are his wife, the former *Anne McGarry*, who used to be a press agent for designer *Pierre Balmain*, and a male child. In the above picture, Buchwald shows that the more bows on every string, the better off you are. Offstage, the natives are restless, and the drums are booming: "Yellow hunter, no guts." In New York, he wears a Brooks Brothers pink shirt, a neat suit, and a tie knitted in Account Executive Black.

LA PRENSA (Cont'd. from p. 1)

cooperate without wavering, with concern for the public good as from its first hour and during its whole existence, in the service of truth, justice, culture, and progress, and, as always, in the defense of freedom."

The attacks which finally culminated in confiscation of *La Prensa* more than five years ago had their beginnings almost as soon as *Juan D. Peron* came to power. *La Prensa* and *Gainza* were among the last voices of freedom in Argentina and *Peron* assailed them through the official radio and through the columns of the erstwhile dictator's kept press. As police looked the other way, gangs of hoodlums stoned the building at the corner of Chile and Azopardo Streets in Buenos Aires. Strikes were called. Supplies of newsprint were cut off. The printing plant was closed "for investigation," reopened - and padlocked again.

Finally, in 1951, using a fictional labor hassle as an excuse, *Peron* confiscated the paper and turned it over to the General Confederation of Labor, which continued to publish an organ under a logotype which said it was *La Prensa*.

Last September marked the last of

Peron. Three months later, *Aramburu's* government restored *Prensa* to its owners and *Gainza* left New York for Buenos Aires - for a hero's welcome. After his return, *Gainza* assembled a 130-man staff, tracked down the newspaper's property, which as often as not was either in some other part of Buenos Aires - or Argentina - and got out dummy issues of *La Prensa*. Last week, he put out the first real issue.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Secretary-Treasurer *A. Wilfred May* told the Board of Governors last week that the Club had added \$46,000 to its working capital through the recent NBC Spectacular, "Dateline II."

The club's capital now stands at \$126,000, *May's* report said. Surplus cash funds have mainly been placed in savings bonds, although the secretary-treasurer has also invested in short-term government obligations.

In addition, *May* said the proportion of members delinquent in their dues is now less than at previous corresponding dates.

He also said that the Club incurred a net loss of \$1,628 for December, due largely to the payment of Christmas bonuses to employees.



Seated left to right: Miss Katherine LEEDS, Book Committee Chairman; Senator John F. KENNEDY (D. Mass.); President Louis P. LOCHNER; and Irene CORBALLY KUHN. Standing: George HAMILTON, John McCAFFREY, Henry LeCASSETT, and W. W. CHAPLIN. The occasion was the Book Night Panel on February 7 when Senator Kennedy's book "Profiles in Courage" was discussed.

People and Places (C't'd fp 1)

During January, Josephs was represented in Reader's Digest, Everywoman's, Catholic Digest, Compact and Management Methods Magazine.

Ralph Hotchkiss is leaving his vacation on Majorca to lecture on U.S. television advertising techniques in Rome and Paris...

BOOK NIGHT PACKS HOUSE TO DISCUSS KENNEDY BOOK

OPC members packed the house to discuss "Profiles in Courage" by Massachusetts' junior Senator on Tuesday evening, Feb. 7. The Book Night

Panel heard George Hamilton Coombs introduce the discussion by describing it as "a book which will inspire many a boy and make many a man humble." The discussion, which centered mainly around the book, explored a few other issues such as the difference between a national and a regional issue, how long a man had to be dead to be considered courageous, and whether Truman would run again. The Senator answered questions with a candor which charmed his audience. Irene Corbally Kuhn took over as Moderator when Mr. McCaffrey had to leave for his broadcast.

PANEL TO DISCUSS (C't'd f. p. 1)

showing of a "Freedom of the Press" exhibition, which goes on a nationwide tour next month under the Crusade for Europe. C.D. Jackson of Time, Inc., and former special assistant to President Eisenhower on psychological warfare, will give a short talk on the exile press exhibit.

At the panel discussion the OPC will be represented by Ansel E. Talbert, chairman of the Freedom of the Press Committee of the OPC and military and aviation editor of the New York Herald Tribune, Bob Considine, INS columnist and OPC past president, and Eugene Lyons, Senior Editor of the Reader's Digest and a past president of OPC.

The charge for dinner is \$2.50.

NEWSWEEK CHANGES

Changes in the foreign staff of Newsweek magazine, which are to be made known this week are:

Robert Haeger, London bureau chief, to New York as associate editor for foreign news. Eldon Griffiths, former Time writer, to replace Haeger as chief European correspondent.

William Blair, of London bureau, to Bonn as bureau chief.

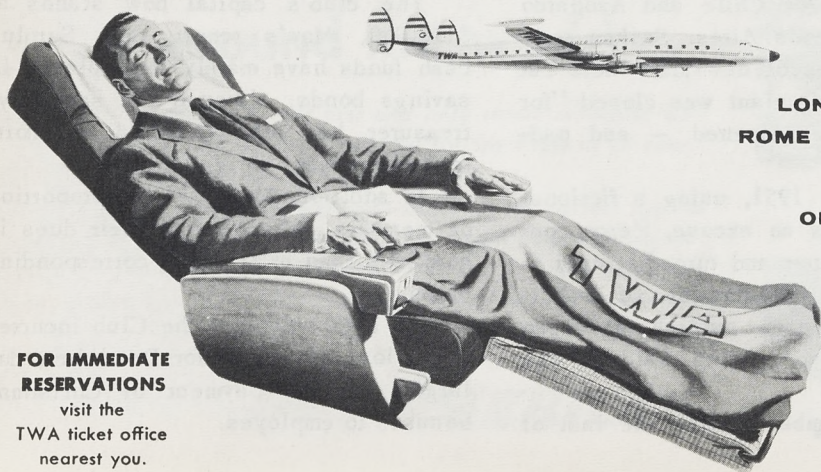
Lionel Durand, foreign editor and N.Y. correspondent for Paris-Presse, to Paris bureau.

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